

SENATE RESOLUTION 224

By Stanley

A RESOLUTION to commend Miss Blanche Montesi for her honorable and astute service to the youth of Tennessee.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pay tribute to those sterling individuals who, through their hard work, expertise, and dedication, have pieced together the enduring fabrics that comprise the grand tapestry of the United States of America; and

WHEREAS, Miss Blanche Montesi is one such estimable person who evinces the greatest integrity and probity in all her chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, from a very young age, Blanche Montesi has amiably overcome great adversity and hardship with grace and dignity; her positive disposition and passion for life, school, and community are to be greatly admired; and

WHEREAS, throughout her time in high school, Miss Montesi has distinguished herself as a public-spirited citizen of the highest order and as an exceptional asset to her community; and

WHEREAS, Blanche Montesi's remarkable success as a public servant and civic leader is extraordinary, especially given her young age, and this success is a credit to her generation; and

WHEREAS, Miss Montesi is an extremely giving person who often reaches out with compassion to people whom life has treated unkindly, and she epitomizes the ideal of the consummate student, dedicated public servant, and reliable friend and neighbor; and

WHEREAS, a senior at Hutchison School in Memphis, Blanche Montesi has been an influential leader, serving with acumen and alacrity as President of Mu Alpha Theta and Psi Nu Sigma, in addition to rendering fine service as a member of the Peer Council and Students Against Drunk Driving; and

WHEREAS, she has also displayed tremendous athletic prowess on the track and soccer teams, leading her teammates as the captain of the soccer team this year and captain of the track team the previous year; and

WHEREAS, a civic-minded individual whose benevolent nature knows no bounds, Blanche Montesi has donated her incredible talents to many worthy causes, such as the Pink Palace Crafts Fair, Service Over Self, Guardian Angel Pet Rescue Walk, March of Dimes, Buddy Walk, Alzheimer Day Services, Walk to d'Feet ALS, and the Memphis Botanical Gardens; and

WHEREAS, Miss Montesi expresses her deep Christian beliefs as an active and devout member of Second Presbyterian Church, where she has faithfully participated in the youth group, led the eighth-grade Bible study for two years, and attended church camp each year; for her steadfast dedication to her faith, Miss Montesi has received several awards, including a Servant Leadership award and three Victor's Crown awards for completing year-long Bible study; and

WHEREAS, her many honors and accomplishments aside, Blanche Montesi is most grateful for the love and support she receives from her parents, John and Blanche Montesi, and her sister, Sydney; and

WHEREAS, Blanche Montesi is wholly committed to the noble precepts of public service that have earned Tennessee recognition as the "Volunteer State," and she should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we hereby commend Miss Blanche Montesi for her honorable and astute service to the people of Tennessee and salute her unswerving commitment to living the examined life with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.